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2. Deposits and withdrawals in Northern Ryukyus financial institutions in September are shown in the table below.

DEPOSITS AND WITHDRAWALS
Northern Ryukyus
(yen)

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Withdrawals</u>
Post Office	6,512,045.15	5,242,879.04
Bank of Ryukyus	7,298,841.72	7,448,177.40
Nahe Credit Assoc.	2,170,385.97	1,543,697.85
O'Shima Mutual	353,465.35	226,933.50
	<u>16,334,738.19</u>	<u>14,461,687.79</u>

3. Financial transactions of Northern Ryukyus post offices September are shown in the table below.

MONEY ORDERS, SAVINGS, INSURANCE, AND
ANNUITIES RECEIVED AND DISBURSED
NORTHERN RYUKYUS
(yen)

<u>Type</u>	<u>Received Amount</u>	<u>Disbursed Amount</u>
Money Orders	644,762.00	1,046,817.70
Savings	5,747,687.52	4,141,864.24
Insurance	117,450.33	51,321.22
Annuity	2,145.30	2,875.58
	<u>6,512,045.15</u>	<u>5,242,878.74</u>

SECTION 1

PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE

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PUBLIC HEALTH

Medical Care

1. Medical care in the Ryukyus during September is shown in the table below.

	<u>Okinawa Gunto</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
In patients	2,115	30	236
Out patients	39,315	41,728	3,814
Hospital Capacity	1,532 a/	60	85
a/ excluding the 461 dispensary beds.			

2. The Airaku-En Leper Colony on Okinawa has a capacity for 900 patients. At present there are 717 patients. A total of 113 lepers were sent to Naze, Amami O'Shima, in September from the Airaku-En Leper Colony, Okinawa. These patients are native Northern Ryukyuans who were housed temporarily at Airaku-En.

3. One Leper was admitted in the Northern Ryukyus Leper Colony and five cases in the Southern Ryukyus. The Nanseien Leper Colony on Miyako has a bed capacity of 226.

4. Number of medical personnel in the Northern Ryukyus is shown below for September.

Physicians	42
Physician Assts	42
Dentists	14
Dentists Assts	11
Registered Nurses	33
Student Nurses	37

Nurses Aides	-
Midwives	118
Pharmacists	7
Veterinarians	30

Disease Incidence

5. Disease incidence was reported for the Ryukyus in September as follows:

DISEASE INCIDENCE September

(1) Respiratory Diseases:

	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
Scarlet Fever	0	0	0
Small Pox	0	0	0
Chicken Pox	270	62	16
Measles	17	4	0
German Measles	219	0	0
Mumps	119	16	1
Influenza	858	94	103
Pneumonia, Lobar	50	88)	21
Pneumonia, Broncho	354		400
Diphtheria	12	1	1
Whooping Cough	113	52	13
Tuberculosis, Pulmonary	192	70)	24
Tuberculosis, other	50		16
Epidemic Meningitis	0	3	7

(2) Insect Borne Diseases reported in Okinawa by districts are shown below. No cases of typhus occurred.

<u>Districts</u>	<u>Jap "B"</u>		<u>Malaria</u>	<u>Filariasis</u>
	<u>Encephalitis</u>		<u>Sept.</u>	<u>Sept.</u>
	<u>Sept</u>	<u>Oct</u>		
Hentona	0	0	206	8
Taira	0	0	428	11
Jinuza	0	0	197	3
Ishikawa	0	0	300	2
Maebaru	0	0	293	6
Koza	0	2	389	10
Naha	0	0	113	4
Chinen	2	0	474	4
Itoman	0	0	73	6
Total	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2,473</u>	<u>54</u>

In the Northern Ryukyus there were 37 cases of malaria and 36 cases of filariasis while the Southern Ryukyus had 93 cases of malaria and 38 cases of filariasis.

(3) Intestinal Diseases:

	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
Para typhoid	0	0	0
Typhoid Fever	0	0	0
Amoebic Dysentery	13	246	29
Cholera	0	0	0

(4) Venereal Diseases:

Syphilis	11	119	27
Gonorrhea	38	225	31
Chancroid	0	11	3
Lymphogranuloma, Venereal	0	2	6

(5) Miscellaneous:

Yaws	0	0	0
Leprosy	0	1	5
Tetanus	11	0	0
Trachoma	1,791	343	230

Sanitation Activities

6. Routine work on Okinawa was halted temporarily by the typhoon on 3 and 4 October and sanitation employees were utilized on emergency work. Emergency sanitation included the distribution of Halazone tablets to each mura on Okinawa. Other sanitation activities are shown below:

	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
Drainage ditches constructed	114,136 ft	-	125 ft
Drainage ditches serviced	2,018,799 ft	-	8,330 ft
Penite expended	72 gals	-	-
DDT in Oil expended	17,208 gals	-	-
DDT concentrate expended	0	-	20 lbs
Houses Sprayed	39,535	2,852	-

7. The Chief of Sanitation Military Government continued the meetings with native district sanitation hanchos. Meetings were held in the Ishikawa, Jinuza, Taira, Hentona and Maebaru districts. Special emphasis was made at the meetings, of the necessity for educating the natives on the parts of the new sanitary regulations that affect them directly.

8. Four technicians worked with native sanitation patrolmen on an extensive rodent control campaign in areas adjacent to military installations. This work is being done in addition to training of native rodent control teams due to the increasing number of rats observed in these areas.

Nursing Affairs

9. Japanese translations of "Handbook of Tuberculosis Care for Public Health Nurses" and "Nurses Procedure Books" were distributed to the schools of nursing and the tuberculosis Hospital on Okinawa.

10. A staff meeting was held on 20 October at Nago Hospital with chief nurses and doctors to discuss a four months' refresher course and the incorporation of basic nursing procedures in the student curriculum beginning January 1949.

Medical Supply

11. No issue of inventoried medical supply stocks was made in the Ryukyus in October.

Veterinary Activities

12. No epidemic diseases in cattle, swine or horses appeared in Okinawa in September and no deaths occurred. Okinawa reported 2 cases of distoma hepaticum and 21 cases of lumbar paralysis in goats. The two cases of distoma hepaticum resulted in deaths and 5 goats died of lumbar paralysis. Nineteen cases of pullorum in poultry resulted in 19 deaths.

No diseases or deaths of cattle, horses or poultry were reported in the Northern Ryukyus. Five cases of lumbar paralysis in goats, all resulting in death, occurred in the Northern Ryukyus. Three cases of swine erysipelas resulted in deaths. The Southern Ryukyus reported no epidemic diseases in animals.

13. In Okinawa Gunto 42 hogs were slaughtered with no condemnations. The following animals were slaughtered in the Northern Ryukyus in September.

<u>Animal</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Condemned</u>
Cattle	77	0
Swine	538	0
Horses	3	0
Goats	397	0
Rabbits	105	0
Poultry	199	0

WELFARE

14. In October 11,510 Okinawans received non-institutional relief aid, an increase of 290 persons over September figures. This was due in part to the hardships and losses from the typhoon.

RELIEF ROLL - OKINAWA GUNTO
(Non-institutional)
October

Persons under 16 years of age	7,306
Persons over 61 years of age	2,742
Pregnant women	6
Physically handicapped and invalids	1,138
Women with children	318

15. Thirteen tons of supplies were furnished by LARA in October consisting of 11 tons of clothing and 2 tons of shoes. These were distributed among hospitals, orphanages, teachers, sanitation personnel, and the four districts which suffered most damage during the typhoon; Shuri, Naha, Itoman and Koza.

Supplies consisting of barber's tools and education supplies were sent to the Leper Colony on Okinawa.

Social and Child Welfare

16. A total of 320 persons received relief in Okinawa in October in the following institutions:

<u>Orphanages</u>		<u>Old Peoples Homes</u>	
Koza	98	Koza	27
Hyakuna	81	Ishikawa	45
Taira	24	Shuri	31
Shuri	14		
Total	<u>217</u>	Total	<u>103</u>

17. During typhoon "Libby" the Old People's Home at Ishikawa collapsed and caused the death of one inmate. The remaining inmates were moved into an Ishikawa hotel.

The Orphanage and Old People's Home at Shuri were so badly damaged by the typhoon it was necessary to transfer 25 of the children to Hyakuna Orphanage and 27 children to Koza Orphanage. Fourteen children remained in the useable portion of the children's dormitory. Temporary repairs were made to the Old People's Dormitory so they might remain there.

18. One female juvenile delinquent, aged 14, was removed from Koza jail and placed in Chinen Hospital for treatment of venereal disease. Two juveniles were paroled to the Welfare Section from Chinen Central Prison. These boys will assist at the Boy's Vocational Training Farm on Okinawa.

RESETTLEMENT

19. There were 1,869 acres of land released for resettlement during October.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Number of Acres</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Haebaru	125	Cultivation
Katsuren	58	Cultivation
Naha	6	Business
Gushichan	140	Cultivation
Takamine	320	Resettlement & cultivation
Kochinda	1,200	Cultivation

REPATRIATION

20. No repatriates arrived in or departed from the Ryukyus during October because of the typhoon.

VITAL STATISTICS

21. Population of the Ryukyus on 31 August 1948 is given below. Okinawa Gunto reported 2 stillbirths and the Northern Ryukyus reported 7 for August.

	<u>Population as of 31 July</u>	<u>Births</u>	<u>Gains a/</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Losses a/</u>	<u>Population as of 31 August</u>
Okinawa	548,406	1,491	707	536	438	549,630
Northern R.	221,342	525	177	272	144	221,628
Southern R.	117,739	379	152	92	285	117,893

a/ gains and losses by repatriation and resettlement.

Marriages and Divorces in August were as follows:

	<u>Marriages</u>	<u>Divorces</u>
Okinawa	332	90
Northern R.	231	16
Southern R.	127	9
Total	<u>740</u>	<u>115</u>

RYUKYUAN PROPERTY CUSTODIAN

22. The following property was taken into custody during October.

<u>Land</u>	<u>No. of Parcels</u>	<u>Appraised Value</u>	<u>Area (Tsubo)</u>	<u>Improve- ments</u>	<u>Value of Improvements</u>
Used by Military	6	¥ 712,569.00	13,387	15	¥ 480,820.00
Used by OCA	9	553,435.00	41,576	0	0
Available for Lease	<u>230</u>	<u>840,175.00</u>	<u>48,993</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>485,230.00</u>
	245	¥2,106,179.00	103,956	175	¥ 966,050.00

<u>Units</u>	<u>Appraised Value</u>
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Personal Property	3 a/	¥ 121,000.00
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a/ 1 engine generator set - 350 HP-in repairable condition
 1 engine generator set - 360 HP-in repairable condition
 1 engine generator set - 500 HP-in repairable condition

SECTION 2

EDUCATION, CULTURE AND RELIGION

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EDUCATION

Schools

1. The School Support Societies (similar to the American Parent-Teacher Association) and Public Works Departments of Military Government and Okinawa Civilian Administration are repairing typhoon-damaged school buildings. A total of 1,260 classrooms were destroyed and 500 of these are now under reconstruction. A total of 99 storage tents and 50 kegs of nails were distributed for this purpose. School attendance in the Ryukyus is shown in the table below:

<u>Type of School</u>	<u>Number of Schools</u>	<u>Teachers</u>	<u>Pupils</u>
Okinawa Gunto (October)			
Kindergarten	134	469	22,706
Elementary	145	2,208	91,052
Junior High	47	981	38,289
Senior High	15 ^{a/}	312	6,885
Technical High	3	42	431
Higher School	2	18	247
Totals	346	4,030	159,610

^{a/} A branch of Koza High School, established 1 September with 200 students, accounts for the increase in the number of High Schools.

Northern Ryukyus (September)

Kindergarten	5	22	715
Elementary	103	860	32,014
Junior High	40	431	12,376
Technical High	14	72	2,092
Boys High School	2	57	1,779
Totals	164	1,442	48,976